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The primary mission of the DEQ's Small Business & Small Community Assistance Program is to provide important environmental regulatory assistance to small businesses and to provide environmental regulatory information to small communities.

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DEQ has new training regulations for underground storage tank operators

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n Feb. 20, 2010, the DEQ Underground Storage Tank operator training regulations became final. These new UST regulations can be found in LAC 33:XI, Chapter 6, and are available for viewing at: www.deq.louisiana.gov.

UST operators are divided into three classes, A, B, and C, and there are specific training requirements for each class. Class A operators are the tank owners, or a person designated by the tank owner to represent the owner's interest. Class B operators are designated by the tank owner to implement the day-to-day aspects of the operation and maintenance of a UST system at the facility. Class B operators can be employees of the UST owner or can be third party operators hired by the UST owner. Class C operators are designated by the tank owner to have the daily, on-site responsibility for addressing emergencies presented by a spill or release from a UST system (e.g., clerks, attendants).

UST owners are required to designate, for each UST facility, at least one named individual for each class of operator. UST owners can designate a different individual for each class of operator, or one individual for more than one operator class.



Acceptable Training for Class A and Class B UST Operators

All Class A and B operators are required to attend and complete a DEQ sponsored UST operator training seminar. There is no charge for the seminar but there may be a fee charged to registrants that fail to cancel within three days of the seminar date and/or fail to show up.

UST operators may register for the seminars through the Petro classroom. Web site: www.petroclassroom.com, or may contact Cinde Crump at 225-926-8300, Lori Desch at 785-233-9655, or Marcia Reed at 877-269-0194.

All Class A and B operators for facilities inspected after Feb. 20, 2010, must complete the training course within nine months of the inspection date. All other Class A and B operators must complete the training course before Aug. 8, 2012.

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Acceptable Training for Class C UST **Operators**

Class A or B operators must ensure that the UST facility's Class C operators complete training in emergency procedures before Aug. 8, 2012. Class C operator training programs may include in-class, handson, on-line, or any other training format deemed acceptable by the facility's Class A or B operator. Class C

training information will be provided to all Class A and B operators that attend the DEQ sponsored operator training seminars.

The Class A or B operator must ensure that a list of emergency procedures, which must include sitespecific emergency procedures, the location of emergency shut-off devices, and appropriate emergency contact telephone numbers, is posted in a prominent area at the facility that is easily visible to the Class C operator.

For more information, visit DEQ's Division Web site: www.deg.louisiana.gov, or contact Samuel Broussard at 337-262-5744.

For class schedule, visit: www.petroclassroom.com/ state choice.php?state=Louisiana. The classes are free.

SBA makes economic injury assistance available to more parishes for small businesses affected by Deepwater BP oil spill

he Small Business Administration announced on May 10, 2010 that economic injury assistance is available in 34 parishes in Louisiana and seven neighboring Mississippi counties.

The declaration makes SBA economic injury disaster loans available immediately for qualifying small businesses in the affected parishes. These loans offer small businesses working capital of up to \$2 million, at an interest rate of 4 percent, with terms up to 30 years. The loans may be used by

small businesses that are unable to obtain credit elsewhere to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can't be paid because of the oil spill's impact.

Eligible small businesses include those engaged in shrimping, crabbing and oyster fishing in the waters affected by the closure; small businesses dependent on the catching or sale of shrimp, crabs and oysters, suppliers of fishing gear and fuel; docks, boatyards, processors, wholesalers, shippers, retailers and other small businesses dependent on revenue from fishing, recreational and sorts fishing small businesses, and coastal small businesses.

Ten Business Recovery Centers have been established with representatives to answer questions about the disaster loans, issues loan applications and help complete the forms. The locations of the BRCs are listed on the SBA Web site: www.sba.gov/news, or SB/SCAP Web site: www.deg.louisiana.gov. The SBA's Customer Service Center phone number is 1-800-659-2955.

Reminders for the quarter

July 1	Form R or A (TRI); Minor Source Air Tox	
	reports; Perc Form due	

- July 8 UST Worker Certification Exams, Shreveport; to register, call 225-219-3437
- July 15 Quarterly DMR due
- July 28 Semi-annual & Quarterly Discharge monitor report due
- Annual report for generators, processors, and Aug. 1 disposers of solid waste due
- Sept. 2 UST Worker Certification Exams, Baton Rouge; to register, call: 225-219-3437
- Sept. 30 Stage II certificate expires
- Sept. 30 Ozone season ends

Underground Storage Tanks Training

Date	Location	Time
14-Jul-10	New Orleans	1 pm - 5 pm
11-Aug-10	Shreveport	8 am - 12 pm
15-Sep-10	W. Monroe	8 am - 12 pm
22-Sep-10	Baton Rouge	1 pm - 5 pm
13-Oct-10	Crowley	8 am - 12 pm

To register for UST training, call: Tommie Johnson (225) 219-3805, Lauren Pourciau (225) 219-3725, or Vicki Tabora (225) 219-3808.

Sanitary Wastewater Compliance Assistance Training

Date	Location	Time
19-Aug-10	Thibodaux	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
26-Oct-10	Baton Rouge	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

To register for these FREE classes: Call (225) 219-3717 or (225) 219-3720.

Announcing...

EGREEN BUSINESS EXPOWEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2010 • DEQ HEADQUARTERS • BATON ROUGE, LA

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) is pleased to present its inaugural Green Business Expo on Wednesday, August 25 from 7:00 am - 4:30 pm at the Galvez Conference Center, LDEQ Headquarters. This timely exposition will showcase 9 presenters and exhibits from other innovative businesses. These businesses offer real cost saving opportunities for private and public enterprises, as well as provide an environmental return for the citizens of Louisiana. This interactive program will focus on creating a synergy between economic reality and environmental quality of life improvements through partnering with established and community stakeholders, innovative business concepts, and market opportunities. Participants will assist in building a report card which scores presenters and exhibitors on implementation possibilities of their technology. The LDEQ will issue an annual report card on the actual implementation of the businesses as well as calculations of data designed to illustrate the lowered impact on our environment by placing their products into the stream of commerce. Members from industry, federal, state, and local government and consumers will benefit from attendance at this event.

Please visit the Green Business Expo page on the LDEQ website for complete information, registration and sponsorship opportunities @ www.deq.louisiana.gov/greenbusinessexpo